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North East Kootenay, B. C.

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DO BIG ASSESSMENT WORK

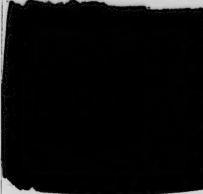
Our statement of last week that a number of prospectors were recording assessment work that did not nearly reach the requirements of the law has brought forth considerable comment among the holders of claims. Of course there are a few who claim that it is no one's business as to what they do or do not do, but the majority make their kick the other way and complain that it is unfair to allow a half dozen men to hold 40 or 50 claims and do little or no work while conscientious men are obliged to do their full amount. We agree with these latter and will take every opportunity to assist the honest prospector to show up any who deliberately swear to false statements. There is a law that if put into force would place such men for a term of years where they would be breaking rock continuously and which should be applied. It is hardly to be expected that any individual would undertake to bring these men to justice and still any one would be doing the country a service if they would. What is required is a Government inspector whose duty it would be to visit the claims and enforce the law. One inspector for the whole of British Columbia would be sufficient. He need only visit a district occasionally and by making a few examples would put an effectual damper on all who have any inclination to evade the law. This district is no exception, the entire Province is infested with this class of men. It is not only unfair to honest men but is a wrong to the whole country as it retards the development of our mineral resources. Not only do these men commit a breach of the law but they are doing themselves an injustice, for if they would do their work properly their chances of making a sale would be much better.

We have no desire to do an injustice to any prospector, but are ever anxious to assist in any way, and when any man finds a legitimate reason for not being able to do his work we shall be the first to

take up the matter and do all we can to assist him in getting his rights.

Do big assessments and you will not regret it.

Now that the Provincial Legislature has once more assembled for the transaction of business we would call their attention to the fact that many of our soldier boys, now in South Africa fighting for their country, are owners of mineral claims in this Province, and in justice to them and as an acknowledgment of their services the Government should pass a measure allowing them exemption from their annual assessment work for at least the present year.



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Kootenay Mining Division Statistics.

The report of the Minister of Mines for the year 1899 gives figures as to the relative importance of the mining divisions of East and West Kootenay:

Recording Office.	Claims Recorded.	Certificates of Work Recorded.	Bills of Sale and Transfers Recorded.	Free Miners' Certificates Issued.
Nelson	978	1,809	139	1,480
Roseland	425	788	309	2,140
Kaslo	619	959	379	1,622
New Denver	183	278	507	540
Shawnigan	310	515	250	501
Kelowna	316	261	105	83
Troul Lake City	379	485	286	266
Comaplex	280	171	107	113
Nakine	168	112	122	211
Revelstoke	85	212	39	142
Golden	157	80	70	272
Windermere	282	180	119	283
Fort Steele	729	718	305	932

COLD-BLOOD SWINDLERS.

Some of the most cold-blooded swindlers which have ever been perpetrated on the public have been those which have had for their avowed purpose the building of plants for ore treatment, says the Denver Mining Reporter. It is so easy to estimate the possible ore tonnage of a district; so easy to fix a price per ton for ore treatment which will have a profit of \$3 to \$4 a ton above the estimated cost of operation; so easy these estimates, to have a profit of 25 per cent or more per annum, that it is little wonder that so many idle process mills and dismantled smelters so eloquently point out these crimes against the mining industry. Plants have been built where the promoters had no expectation that they ever would be operated. A commission on the cost of construction is sometimes a sufficient inducement to the "cheap skates" who have and who are preying upon legitimate mining.

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The Wreck of the Jule le Plant.

Twas one dark night on Lac Champlain,
The wind she blow, blow, blow,
When de crew of de sloop Jule le Plant
Get scare and run below.

For the wind she blow like hurricane,
Bimely she blow some more;
When de scow buss upon Lac Champlain
One half mile out from shore.

De captain she walk on de front deck,
She walk on de hind deck, too;
She call de crew, "run up de hole,
She call de cook also.

De cook his name was Rosa,
He's come from Montreal;
Was dismembered on a lumber barge
On dat big Lachine canal.

De wind she blow from nor'west, west,
De sea's wind she blow, too;
When Rosa say, "Oh, captain,
Whatever shall I do?"

De captain she's cross d' back,
But still dat scow she's driv;
For de crew can't pass on dat shore,
Because he lose dat shift.

De night was dark, like one black cat,
De waves run high and fast,
When de captain took poor Rosa
And lash her to the mast.

When de captain put de life preserver
A ad he jump into de lac,
And say, good-bye my Rosa, dear,
I go down for your sack.

Next morning, very heavily,
About half past two, three, four,
De captain, cook and scow scow
Lay corpses on dat shore.

For de wind she's blow like hurricane,
Pretty soon she's blows some more,
For de scow she buss upon Lac Champlain
One half a mile from shore.

MORAL.

Now, all good scow scow sailor maus,
Take warning by dat storm,
And go and marry one nice French gall
And live on one nice farm.

Den de wind may blow like hurricane,
And spose she blow some more,
You shan't go down on Lac Champlain
So long you stay on shore.

VALIDITY OF GRUBSTAKING.

The validity of that form of prospecting contract known as grubstaking has been repeatedly upheld by the courts. The word itself has no double meaning about it, and like most mining terms, indicates exactly what is intended—Viz: a partnership between those who furnish money and supplies to him who is thus enabled to look for and find mining prospects, each to share in the profits or successes as agreed. It isn't exactly a "partnership," it is a sort of venture, or adventure, where one furnishes the grub and stakes the other who supplies the sale. Though the agreement is not required to be a written one, each party to it justly expects the other to do as he agrees, and, usually, the responsibility ends there. When a prospector locates a mine comes a question of tenure in common, with all its attendant rights and responsibilities. If during the time agreed upon the prospector finds anything and locates it in his own name, his associate, the one who grubstaked him, can claim and enforce compliance with the terms of the agreement, not on the basis of a partnership, but according to the terms of the contract. If during the life of the contract the outfinder fails to keep his part of the bargain such failure at once absolves the prospector from further observance of its provisions. And, at the same time, during the life of the contract, either of the two parties can buy or sell mining claims with his own money and at his own risk without the other having anything to do with it in any way.

All this applies to grubstake, pure and simple. That is about as far as grubstake contracts usually go? If a man is hired to get a mine, and is paid wages from the start, with a promise of raise in his pay or an interest in what he might acquire, that is not a grubstake, and the relations between the two are those of employer and employee. Any agreement extending beyond discovery and location, takes the grubstake contract into a different domain, and makes it more of a mining partnership. So far as property rights are concerned, in this ordinary grubstake contract both parties are merely tenants in common in whatever property may be acquired while the agreement was in force, and neither party has the right to bind the interest of the other.

There isn't much style about grubstake, nor are there any frills on it; it is a homely proposition with plenty of hard work and a certain amount of old-fashioned honesty and integrity about it. The mutual risk in which each party gives the other a square deal, and neither is supposed to be trying to get the best of it. Some of the best mining property in the United States is the result of grubstake, a prospector, and in these days of scientific mining and metallurgy the prospector is as important a factor as ever, and grubstake may well be as successfully considered as even at this time. Grubstake is a good investment today; it was always a favorite form of procedure with mine operators always on the lookout for new properties, prospects susceptible of being made into mines—for mines are made just the same as any other manufacture—and deserves consideration. Not every prospector is fit to be grubstaked, not every man a prospector would make a grubstake from, yet there are many prospectors who, backed by coin, could make the venture

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